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In re Application of:)	
Natsuhiko MIZUTANI)	Examiner: Unassigned
Application No.: 10/529,893)	Group Art Unit: 1763
35 U.S.C. § 371(c))	Confirmation No.: 7796
Completion Date: October 17, 2005)	
For: NEAR-FIELD EXPOSURE METHOD AND)	July 21, 2006
APPARATUS, NEAR-FIELD EXPOSURE)	
MASK, AND DEVICE MANUFACTURING)	
METHOD)	

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Sir:


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Applicant requests that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed PTO-1449 form be initialed and returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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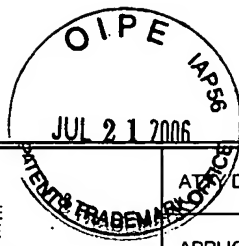
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